

DISTRICT 1: MARICOPA COUNTY -- 2008-2009 SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS
TARGET GROUP: ELDERLY

| 2007-2008 PROBLEM STATEMENT | SERVICE TITLE & SERVICE RANKING ACROSS TARGET GROUPS | SERVICE INTENT(S) | FY2009 Funding | Revised FY2008 Funding | Revised FY2009 Funding |
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| #1 Elderly persons with physical or mental limitations and economic barriers increasingly are unable to provide for their nutritional needs. Collaboration, coordination and/or cooperation in delivering services are of prime importance to resolving this problem. There is increased concern about the possible loss of federal programs that have met this need in the recent past. | (2) HOME DELIVERED MEALS | Assist persons who cannot prepare their meals, are without other resources to assist them in this function, and who would be at risk of institutionalization were it not offered. | \$411,214 | 330,114.37 | 330,114.37 |
| #2 Elderly persons with physical or mental limitations and economic barriers may be institutionalized prematurely because of a lack of home and community based services. | (4) HOME CARE: Housekeeping/Homemaker, Chore, Home Health Aid, Personal Care, Respite, and Nursing Services | Provide in-home care (Housekeeping/Homemaker, Chore, Home Health Aid, Personal Care, Respite, and Nursing Services) to persons who are unable to perform activities of daily living and thus are at risk of institutionalization. | \$159,604 | 128,126.90 | 128,126.90 |
| | (11) ADULT DAY CARE/ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE | Provide care and supervision, a noon meal, socialization, structured activities, personal care and physical/intellectual stimulation in a community setting to frail elderly who are at risk of institutionalization because they are unable to be alone for long periods of time due to their condition. | \$203,322 | 163,222.84 | 163,222.84 |
| #3 Specialized transportation is a major problem for elderly because (a) their physical and economic conditions often limit their ability to use available transportation and (b) transportation is unavailable in some areas of the county and unavailable at needed times in those areas of the county where there is available transportation. Because of these limitations, elderly persons are unable to access available services. This is especially critical for the growing number of elderly individuals with chronic medical conditions, such as the need for dialysis and | (12) TRANSPORTATION | Transport and/or escort elderly people who are without other resources to needed services. | \$34,581 | 27,760.94 | 27,760.94 |

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| #4 Elderly living on fixed incomes experience difficulty meeting their housing costs including rent, utilities, maintenance, repairs, taxes and insurance. There is concern about potential funding cuts in federal utility assistance programs. | | | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. |
| #5 Elderly people often have difficulty obtaining medical, dental, housing, social or recreational services. Programs such as Medicaid (AHCCCS or ALTCS), energy assistance, food stamps, housing, and others are inadequate to meet the needs of elderly people. As a result of the delays and denials encountered, they experience economic hardships and emotional stress. | (24) SUPPORTIVE INTERVENTION/GUIDANCE COUNSELING | Assist elderly who are in crisis or in an unsatisfactory living situation to enable them to live as independently as possible. | \$177,775 | 142,714.21 | 142,714.21 |
| #6 Elderly are subjected to physical, emotional and financial abuse, neglect and exploitation. | | | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. |
| #7 Limited behavioral health resources do not provide adequate prevention and treatment services to this population. Elderly living in Arizona experience the highest suicide rate in the nation. | | | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. |
| #8 Community outreach to the elderly generally is not inclusive nor responsive to cultural and language diversity, and some elderly do not perceive themselves as being eligible or needing services. | | | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. |
| #9 Care giving responsibilities often | | | No SSBG funds | No SSBG funds | No SSBG funds |

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| produce physical, emotional and financial stress for a family. | | | recommended. | recommended. | recommended. |
| #10 Elderly often need to work due to economic conditions and changing family structures. They often experience age discrimination in employment and need education, retraining and support to help them find and retain jobs with adequate wages. | | | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. |
| #11 Elderly often need assistance with legal issues, including guardianship, living wills, durable powers of attorney, and medical and property issues. | | | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. | No SSBG funds recommended. |
| TARGET GROUP TOTAL FUNDING RECOMMENDATION | | | \$986,496 | 791,939.26 | 791,939.26 |